

CITY OF MIAMI BEACH
Office of the City Manager
Letter to Commission No. 097-2004



To: Mayor David Dermer and
Members of the City Commission

Date: April 27, 2004

From: Jorge M. Gonzalez
City Manager

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jorge", written over the printed name "Jorge M. Gonzalez".

Subject: FLORIDA LEAGUE OF CITIES - CITY MANAGER OF THE YEAR AWARD

The purpose of this LTC is to share with you that the Florida League of Cities recently contacted me to inform me that I have been selected as one of four finalists for its first-ever City Manager of the Year Award.

The City Manager of the Year Award was created to honor a city manager that displays exceptional excellence in the following areas: judgment, initiative, integrity, innovation, professionalism, commitment and citizen relations. This award is part of the Florida League of Cities efforts designed to focus public attention on all the good things cities do to improve the quality of life in Florida and honor outstanding city leaders for their innovative leadership skills.

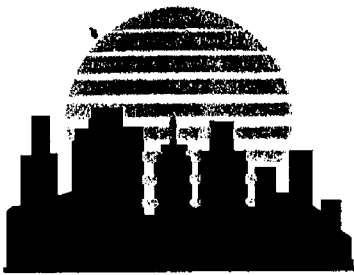
The other three finalists include: Lee Feldman, City Manager of Palm Bay in Brevard County; Bruce Haddock, City Manager of Oldsmar in Pinellas County; and Richard Kelton, City Manager of Palm Coast in Flagler County.

The winner of this award and several other Florida League of Cities awards will be announced at a ceremony on June 26, 2004 in Orlando, Florida.

Attached is a letter from Dottie Reeder, President of the Florida League of Cities and Mayor of Seminole, Florida, notifying me of my selection.

If you have any questions or need any additional information, please feel free to contact me.

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April 16, 2004

Mr. Jorge M. Gonzalez
City Manager
City of Miami Beach
1700 Convention Center Drive
Miami Beach, FL 33139

Dear Mr. Gonzalez:

Congratulations! You have been selected as a finalist for the City Manager of the Year in the "Florida Cities of Excellence Awards" program. You should be very proud of this honor.

Four finalists were selected for this category, and a winner will be selected by the League's Executive Committee and announced at the Awards Banquet on June 26, 2004, in Orlando at the Caribe Royale Resort. An order form is enclosed for you to fill out and return to the League. You will receive two complimentary banquet tickets, and can arrange for additional tickets if needed. In addition, please see the attached check-off list of some items that the League will need from you. We've also enclosed a sample press release that you can personalize for use with your local media.

On behalf of the League's Board of Directors, I want to congratulate you on this honor and invite you to attend the Awards Banquet. We are very excited about the Awards program and hope it will shine a statewide spotlight on the many outstanding public servants and municipal programs in our cities, towns and villages.

If you have any questions regarding the award, banquet or other arrangements, please contact Beth Mulrennan or Lynn Tipton at the League's office at 1-(800) 342-8112.

I look forward to seeing you in Orlando on June 26!

Sincerely,

Dottie K. Reeder
President
Mayor, City of Seminole

Enclosures

cc: Ramiro Inguanzo, Chief of Staff

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